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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 15 December 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m.	4081st meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. The situation in Africa

Afternoon*	4082nd meeting	Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda

2. The situation in Cyprus

   Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations operation in Cyprus (S/1999/1203 and Corr.1)

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* To be held following the adjournment of the 4081st meeting.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m.	79th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall
3 p.m.	80th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

1. Global implications of the year 2000 date conversion problem of computers [45]

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/525)

   (b) Draft resolution (A/54/L.61)

2. International recognition of the Day of Vesak: draft resolution (A/54/L.59) [174]

3. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: draft resolution (A/54/L.70) [20]

   (a) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions: draft resolutions (A/54/L.29/Rev.1, A/54/L.66, A/54/L.67, A.54/L.68, A/54/L.69) [20 (b)]

   (b) Assistance to the Palestinian people: draft resolution (A/54/L.52) [20 (e)]

4. Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe [30]

   (a) Draft resolution (A/54/L.64)

   (b) Amendment (A/54/L.65)

5. The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development [47]

   (a) Draft resolution (A/54/L.24/Rev.1)

   (b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/662)

6. General and complete disarmament [76]

   (a) Draft resolution "Q" (report of the First Committee (A/54/563, para. 64))

   (b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/663)

7. The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina [42]

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/549)

   (b) Draft resolution (A/54/L.63/Rev.1)

BRIEFING AND INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance (item 20)

3 p.m. — Conference Room 7

Open-ended briefing on safety and security of humanitarian personnel by representatives of the United Nations Security Coordinator and the Office for Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs. Informal consultations on draft proposals under item 20 and its sub-items conducted by H.E. Mr. Jørgen Bøjer (Denmark) will be held immediately after the briefing

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	50th meeting	Conference Room 2

Macroeconomic policy questions [97]

(c) Trade and development

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.36/Rev.1

Afternoon*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2

1. Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Giovanni Brauzzi (Italy), Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.19 *(item 104)*

2. Informal consultations under the chairmanship of H.E. Mr. Roble Olhaye (Djibouti), Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.25 *(item 97 (a))*

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* Following the adjournment of the 50th meeting of the Second Committee.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	47th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [151]

   Placement of Member States for peacekeeping assessments

   Action on draft decisions A/C.5/54/L.20, L.21 and L.22

2. Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 48/218 B [163]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.17

3. Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo [166]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.18

4. Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone [150] (A/53/454/Add.1, A/54/455 and A/54/490)

   Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone [172] (A/52/252/Add.2, A/C.5/54/1/Add.2, A/54/633 and A/54/647)

   Introduction and general discussion

5. Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor [173] (A/54/252/Add.3, A/C.5/54/1/Add.3, A/54/236/Add.1 and A/54/653)

   Introduction and general discussion

6. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [151]

   (a) Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

   Support Account (A/54/648 and A/54/661)

   Introduction and general discussion

7. Programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [119]

Second performance report (A/54/631 and Corr.1 and A/54/7/Add.7)

Introduction and general discussion

8. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 [121]

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/54/L.58 (A/C.5/54/41)

Estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized (A/C.5/54/39 and A/54/7/Add.10)

Revised estimates: effect of changes in rates of exchange and inflation (A/54/623 and Corr.1 and Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1 and A/54/7/Add.9)

Introduction and general discussion

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
6.30 p.m.- 9.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 121 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 (A/54/6/Rev.1, Vol. I, II and III, A/54/7, A/54/16, A/C.5/54/18, A/C.5/54/19, A/53/833, A/C.5/54/20, A/C.5/54/16, A/54/643, A/C.5/54/15, A/C.5/54/27, A/C.5/54/17, A/C.5/54/21, A/53/955, A/C.5/54/25, A/53/794, A/C.5/54/14, A/C.5/51/57, A/52/7/Add.2, A/54/431, A/C.5/54/29, A/C.5/54/33, A/54/7/Add.5, A/C.5/54/37, A/54/7/Add.8, A/54/6/Rev.1/Add.1, A/54/7/Add.6, A/53/641, A/C.5/54/26, A/54/520 and A/54/657))

9.30 p.m.- 10.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 125 (Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations (A/54/11))

10.30 p.m.- 11.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 151 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations (A/C.5/54/L.16))

11.30 p.m.- 12.30 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 124 (Pattern of conferences (A/54/32, A/54/176, A/54/208, A/54/221, A/54/262, A/C.5/54/28, A/53/833, A/53/919 and Corr.1 (French only), and Add.1 and Corr.1 (Russian only), and Add.2 and Corr.1 (French only), A/54/7, A/52/1000, A/52/7, A/53/257, A/51/946, A/52/685, A/53/16 and A/53/669))

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PREPARATORY COMMISSION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

Third session

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the rules of procedure and evidence (Part 2 of the Statute)

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on elements of crimes

6 p.m.- 8 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the rules of procedure and evidence (Part 6 of the Statute)

WORKING GROUP ON RULES OF PROCEDURE AND EVIDENCE RELATED TO PARTS 6 AND 8 OF THE STATUTE

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.		Conference Room 4

SPECIAL COMMITTEE ON THE SITUATION WITH REGARD TO THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE DECLARATION ON THE GRANTING OF INDEPENDENCE TO COLONIAL COUNTRIES AND PEOPLES

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 9

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. United Nations Fund for International Partnerships Trust Fund

2. Meeting with the Under-Secretary-General for the Department of Management

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

INFORMAL CONSULTATIONS

5 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

Informal consultations* on draft resolutions of the programme of work for the Committee on Development Policy (E/1999/33) and the report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the Administrative Committee on Coordination (E/1999/123 and Add.1)

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* To prepare for these consultations, interested delegations are invited to meet at 10.30 a.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 20

The Permanent Mission of Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, and Mexico) invites all interested delegations to informal consultations on the draft resolution on "International cooperation on humanitarian assistance in the field of natural disasters from relief to development", to be held *today*, 15 December 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room E and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 9.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Wednesday, 15 December 1999

ARAB GROUP

9 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GROUP OF 77
(on the Committee for Development Policy)

9 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room E

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

9.30 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5
1.45 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

WESTERN EUROPEAN AND OTHER STATES GROUP

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(coordination meeting: on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.25 (High-level international intergovernmental consideration of financing for development))

6 p.m.-8 p.m	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

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United Nations Institute for Training and Research

BRIEFING ON THE SECURITY COUNCIL FOR MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

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Special meeting

In connection with the Millennium Assembly and Millennium Summit of the United Nations, a meeting of the Millennium Forum Planning Consultative Council will be held *today*, 15 December 1999, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room D. The meeting is open to members of the Planning Consultative Council, as well as to members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations.

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Announcement

As from Wednesday, 1 December 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, 16 December 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m.	81st PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall
3 p.m.	82nd PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters [38]

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

3 p.m.	51st meeting	Conference Room 1

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
6.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
9.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The 51st meeting of the Economic and Social Council will be held on Thursday, 16 December 1999, at 10.30 a.m. The provisional agenda will be as follows:

1. Report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the Administrative Committee on Coordination (E/1999/123 and Add.1)
2. International cooperation in tax matters (E/1999/84)
3. Programme of work for the Committee on Development Policy (E/1999/33)
4. Advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the difference relating to immunity from legal process of a Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights (E/1999/121)
5. Election of five members of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme

   Election of two members of the Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting
6. Other matters

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An informal briefing on the preparations for the fourth session of the Intergovernmental Forum on Forests of the Commission on Sustainable Development will be given by H.E. Mr. Bagher Asadi (Islamic Republic of Iran), Co-chairman of the Intergovernmental Forum on Forests. The briefing will be held on Friday, 17 December 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will hold its resumed 1999 session from 17 to 28 January 2000 in Conference Room 4. The agenda is contained in document E/C.2/1999/1.

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There will be a meeting of the Arab Group of the Whole *(at the ambassadorial level)* on Monday, 20 December 1999, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Briefing

The Chairman of the Preparatory Committee of the General Assembly on the Implementation of the Outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and Further Initiatives, H. E. Mr. Cristian Maquieira (Chile), and the Chairman of the Commission for Social Development, Mr. Aurelio Fernández (Spain), will conduct a consultative briefing with delegations in relation to the preparation of the thirty-eighth session of the Commission for Social Development (8-17 February 2000) and on preparations for the special session. The briefing will be held on Thursday, 16 December 1999, at 10.30 a.m. in the *Trusteeship Council Chamber*.

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Special meeting

A special meeting to analyze the year 2000 date conversion problem of computers, sponsored by the Communications Coordination Committee for the United Nations, with the support of the Economic and Social Council and the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics, will take place on Thursday, 16 December 1999, from 1.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room D. H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho) will make opening remarks. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, 14 December 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

4080th meeting

The situation concerning Western Sahara

Report of the Secretary-General on the situation concerning Western Sahara (S/1999/1219)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/1999/1239, which had been submitted by France, the Russian Federation, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution before it (S/1999/1239).

Decision: The draft resolution (S/1999/1239) received 14 votes in favour, none against and one abstention (Namibia), and was adopted as resolution 1282 (1999).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE — 49th meeting

Macroeconomic policy questions [97]

(b) Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/54/L.38 and L.72

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Giovanni Brauzzi (Italy), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.72.

A statement was made by the representative of the United States, in the course of which he requested a vote on the draft resolution.

The Chairman made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Mexico, Indonesia and Kenya.

The representatives of Nigeria and the United States made statements in explanation of vote, before the vote.

The draft resolution was adopted by a recorded vote of 120 to 1, with 0 abstentions.

Statements in explanation of vote, after the vote, were made by the representatives of Costa Rica, Finland (on behalf of the European Union, as well as of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Iceland, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania and Slovakia) and Australia.

The representatives of Madagascar, Armenia and Djibouti informed the Committee that their delegations would have voted in favour of the draft resolution, had they been present during the vote.

Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.38 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 97 (b).

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [99]

(f) Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/54/L.39 and L.73

(Programme budget implications in A/C.2/54/L.74)

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

The Chairman brought to the attention of the Committee document A/C.2/54/L.74, which contained the programme budget implications of the draft resolution.

The Chairman also made a statement regarding programme budget implications.

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Alexandru Nicolescu (Romania) introduced draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.73.

The Committee then adopted the draft resolution.

Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.39 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee adopted a draft decision taking note of documents A/54/271 and A/54/269 and Corr.1.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 99 (b).

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement and informed the Committee that, in accordance with the instructions of the President of the General Assembly, the Committee should finalize its work on Thursday, 16 December.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal. Basel, 22 March 1989

Accession: Belarus (10 December 1999)*

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Signature: Egypt (14 December 1999)

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* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Videoconference

The Department of Public Information (DPI) will conduct a live videoconference on the preparations for the Millennium Assembly and the Millennium Summit of the United Nations, and for the Millennium Forum, on Thursday, 16 December 1999, from 10.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

Representatives of non-governmental organizations assembled at United Nations Headquarters, at United Nations Offices at Geneva and Vienna, and at the Resource Center for the United Nations (a non-governmental organization in San Francisco), will engage in an exchange of information with the New York panellists. Speakers will include Mr. Miles Stoby, Assistant-Secretary-General, Coordinator for Preparations for the Millennium Assembly, Executive Office of the Secretary-General; H.E. Mr. Dumisani Shadrack Kumalo, Permanent Representative of the Republic of South Africa to the United Nations; Mr. Techeste Ahderom, Co-Chair for the Millennium Forum; and Ms. Estelle Perry, Treasurer of the Millennium Forum. Ms. Thérèse Gastaut, Director of the Public Affairs Division, Department of Public Information, will moderate the videoconference.

For further information, please contact Ms. Helene Hoedl of the NGO Section (DPI) in New York (tel.: (212) 963-7709); Ms. Elena Ponomareva at the United Nations Office at Geneva (tel.: (41-22) 917 2325); and Ms. Renate Henke at the United Nations Office at Vienna (tel.: (43-1) 26060-3324). The following Web site addresses can also be visited: www.un.org/millennium *or* www.millenniumforum.org

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Thursday, 16 December 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

10.15 a.m. — 4083rd meeting* — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

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* A briefing will be given by the Secretariat.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. — 81st PLENARY MEETING — General Assembly Hall

1. The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina [42]
   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/549)
   (b) Draft resolution (A/54/L.63/Rev.1)
2. Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters [38]

3 p.m. — 82nd PLENARY MEETING — General Assembly Hall

Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters [38]

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 1

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Giovanni Brauzzi (Italy), Vice-Chairman of the Committee, on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.76 (and amendments thereto in A/C.2/54/L.77 and L.78) *(item 104)*

3 p.m.	51st meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Macroeconomic policy questions [97]

   (a) High-level international intergovernmental consideration of financing for development

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/54/L.25 and L.75

2. The role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence [104]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/54/L.19 and L.76 (and amendments thereto in A/C.2/54/L.77 and 78)

3. Draft biennial programme of work for the Second Committee for 2000 and 2001(A/C.2/54/L.65)

4. Closure of the work of the Second Committee

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 126 (United Nations common system (A/54/30, A/54/483, A/53/688, A/54/434 and A/C.5/54/24), 150 (Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone (A/53/454/Add.1, A/54/455 and A/54/490) and 172 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone (A/52/252/Add.2, A/C.5/54/1/Add.2, A/54/633 and A/54/647) and item 119 (Programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999: Second performance report (A/54/631 and Corr.1 and A/54/7/Add.7))

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 173 (Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor (A/54/252/Add.3, A/C.5/54/1/Add.3, A/54/236/Add.1 and A/54/653)) and 151 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations (a) Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: Support Account (A/54/648 and A/54/661))

6.30 p.m.-9.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
9.30 p.m.-12.30 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

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PREPARATORY COMMISSION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

Third session

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the rules of procedure and evidence (Part 2 of the Statute)

6 p.m.-8 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6

Informal consultations on the rules of procedure and evidence (Part 6 of the Statute)

WORKING GROUP ON ELEMENTS OF CRIME

11.30 a.m.-1 p.m.		Conference Room 4

WORKING GROUP ON RULES OF PROCEDURE AND EVIDENCE RELATED TO PART 4 OF THE STATUTE

3 p.m.-5 p.m.		Conference Room 4

WORKING GROUP ON RULES OF PROCEDURE AND EVIDENCE RELATED TO PARTS 9 AND 10 OF THE STATUTE

5 p.m.-6 p.m.		Conference Room 4

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Implementation of the programme of action for the least developed countries for the 1990s
2. United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
3. United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)
4. Executive session on the United Nations International Partnership Trust Fund (UNFIP)

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	51st meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

1. Report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the Administrative Committee on Coordination (E/1999/123 and Add.1 and E/1999/L.61)
2. International cooperation in tax matters
3. Programme of work for the Committee on Development Policy (E/1999/L.62)
4. Advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the difference relating to immunity from legal process of a Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights (E/1999/121 and E/1999/124)
5. Election of five members of the Executive Board of the World Food Programme

   Election of two members of the Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting
6. Other matters

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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Thursday, 16 December 1999

ARAB GROUP OF THE PREPARATORY COMMISSION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

9 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

GROUP OF 77
(on the Committee for Development Policy)

9 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room B

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

9 a.m.-10 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5
1.45 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

Morning*-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

* Following the adjournment of the informal consultations of the Fifth Committee.

LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN GROUP

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

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Briefing

The Chairman of the Preparatory Committee of the General Assembly on the Implementation of the Outcome of the World Summit for Social Development and Further Initiatives, H. E. Mr. Cristian Maquieira (Chile), and the Chairman of the Commission for Social Development, Mr. Aurelio Fernández (Spain), will conduct a consultative briefing with delegations in relation to the preparation of the thirty-eighth session of the Commission for Social Development (8-17 February 2000) and on preparations for the special session. The briefing will be held *today*, 16 December 1999, at 10.30 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber.

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Special event

The launching of the December 1999 issue of the *International Social Science Journal on Policy Options for Social Development*, sponsored by the Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs, will take place *today*, 16 December 1999, following the consultative briefing in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The presentation will be made by the editors, Ms. Inge Kaul and Mr. David Makinson.

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Special meeting

A special meeting to analyze the year 2000 date conversion problem of computers, sponsored by the Communications Coordination Committee for the United Nations, with the support of the Economic and Social Council and the Ad Hoc Open-ended Working Group on Informatics, will take place *today*, 16 December 1999, from 1.30 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. in Conference Room D. H.E. Mr. Percy Metsing Mangoaela (Lesotho) will make opening remarks. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff and representatives of non-governmental organizations are invited to attend.

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Closed consultations among members of the Security Council and troop contributors on the United Nations Oberver Mission in Georgia (UNOMIG) will be held *today*, 16 December 1999, at 4 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

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Announcement

As from Wednesday, 1 December 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Friday, 17 December 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 83rd PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family: report of the Third Committee (A/54/595) [106]

2. Crime prevention and criminal justice: report of the Third Committee (A/54/596) [107]

3. International drug control: report of the Third Committee (A/54/597) [108]

4. Advancement of women: report of the Third Committee (A/54/598 and Corr.1) [109]

5. Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women: report of the Third Committee (A/54/599 and Corr.1 (English only)) [110]

6. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions: report of the Third Committee (A/54/600) [111]

7. Promotion and protection of the rights of children: report of the Third Committee (A/54/601) [112]

8. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People: report of the Third Committee (A/54/602) [113]

9. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination: report of the Third Committee (A/54/603) [114]

10. Right of peoples to self-determination [115]

    (a) Report of the Third Committee (A/54/604)

    (b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/672)*

11. Human rights questions: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605) [116]

    (a) Implementation of human rights instruments: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.1)

    (b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.2)

    (c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.3)

    (d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.4)

    (e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.5)

12. Report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Third Committee (A/54/606) [12]

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* To be issued.

3 p.m.	84th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

1. Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan; the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security [20 (f) and 50]

   (a) Draft resolution (A/54/L.58)

   (b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/671)*

2. Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin: draft resolution (A/54/L.47/Rev.1) [24]

3. Assistance in mine action: draft resolution (A/54/L.71) [35]

4. Question of the Comorian island of Mayotte [62]

5. The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti [48]

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/625)

   (b) Letter from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the General Assembly (A/54/629)

   (c) Draft resolution (A/54/L.36)

   (d) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/665)

6. Question of East Timor [96]

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/654)

   (b) Draft resolution (A/54/L.73)

7. Observer status for the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources in the General Assembly: draft resolution (A/54/L.7/Rev.2) [162]

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* To be issued.

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.	48th meeting	Conference Room 3
Morning*	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
6.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
9.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

* Following the adjournment of the 48th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

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The Disarmament Commission will hold open-ended informal consultations on its substantive agenda items and other organizational matters on Friday, 17 December 1999, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

An informal briefing on the preparations for the fourth session of the Intergovernmental Forum on Forests of the Commission on Sustainable Development will be given by H.E. Mr. Bagher Asadi (Islamic Republic of Iran), Co-chairman of the Intergovernmental Forum on Forests. The briefing will be held on Friday, 17 December 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

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The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will hold its resumed 1999 session from 17 to 28 January 2000 in Conference Room 4. The agenda is contained in document E/C.2/1999/1.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETING OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the Arab Group of the Whole *(at the ambassadorial level)* on Monday, 20 December 1999, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Forum

There will be a meeting of the Women's International Forum on Friday, 17 December 1999, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 2. The Forum will be addressed by Mr. Mark Malloch-Brown, Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, on "A Vision for UNDP". Participants should be seated by 10.45 a.m. Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Wednesday, 15 December 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

4081st meeting

The situation in Africa

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Algeria, the Bahamas, Bangladesh, Belgium, Burundi, Cameroon, Colombia, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Egypt, Finland, Germany, Ghana, India, Indonesia, Ireland, Italy, Japan, Kenya, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, Mozambique, New Zealand, Nigeria, Norway, Portugal, the Republic of Korea, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Spain, Uganda, Ukraine, the United Republic of Tanzania and Zimbabwe, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The Council began its consideration of the item.

The President made an introductory statement.

The Secretary-General made a statement.

Statements were made by the President, in his capacity as the Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs of the United Kingdom, and by the representatives of China, the United States, Canada, France, Argentina, the Netherlands, Malaysia, Bahrain, Gabon, the Gambia, the Russian Federation, Brazil, Namibia and Slovenia.

Statements were then made by the representatives of Algeria, Cameroon, South Africa, Finland (on behalf of the European Union and the Central and Eastern European countries associated with the European Union - Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania and Slovakia – and the associated countries Cyprus and Malta, as well as the EFTA countries members of the EEA, Iceland and Liechtenstein, which aligned themselves with the statement), the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya and the Republic of Korea.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon the resumption of the meeting, the President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representatives of Sweden and Zambia, at their request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

Statements were made by the representatives of Nigeria, Japan, Rwanda, Ukraine, Egypt, Mozambique, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Bangladesh, India, New Zealand, the Bahamas, Kenya, Colombia, Sierra Leone, Uganda, the United Republic of Tanzania, Ghana, Zimbabwe, Burundi, Zambia, Norway and Indonesia.

Statements were subsequently made by the representatives of Sweden, Ireland, Belgium, Portugal, Italy and Spain.

The President made a concluding statement.

4082nd meeting

The situation in Cyprus

Report of the Secretary-General on the United Nations operation in Cyprus (S/1999/1203 and Corr.1 and Add.1)

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/1999/1249, which had been prepared in the course of the Council's prior consultations.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/1999/1249) before it.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/1999/1249) received 15 votes in favour, none against and no abstentions, and was adopted unanimously as resolution 1283 (1999).

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

79th plenary meeting

Tribute to the memory of H.E. Mr. Franjo Tudjman, President of the Republic of Croatia

The General Assembly observed one minute of silence.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cameroon (on behalf of the African States), Bangladesh (on behalf of the Asian States), the Czech Republic (on behalf of the Eastern European States), Saint Lucia (on behalf of the Latin American and Caribbean States), Luxembourg (on behalf of the Western European and other States), the United States (as host country) and Croatia.

Global implications of the year 2000 date conversion problem of computers [45]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/525)

(b) Draft resolution (A/54/L.61)

The representative of Lesotho made a statement in the course of which he introduced and orally revised draft resolution A/54/L.61.

Statements were made by the representatives of India, the United States, Andorra, Australia, New Zealand, the Russian Federation and Israel.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.61 as orally revised (resolution 54/114).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 45.

International recognition of the Day of Vesak: draft resolution (A/54/L.59) [174]

The representative of Sri Lanka made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/54/L.59.

Statements were made by the representatives of Thailand, Singapore, Bangladesh, Bhutan, Spain, Myanmar, Nepal, Pakistan and India.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.59 (resolution 54/115).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 174.

80th plenary meeting

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: draft resolution (A/54/L.70) [20]

(a) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions: draft resolutions (A/54/L.29/Rev.1, A/54/L.66, A/54/L.67, A.54/L.68, A/54/L.69) [20 (b)]

(b) Assistance to the Palestinian people: draft resolution (A/54/L.52) [20 (e)]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of item 20.

The representative of Finland (on behalf of the European Union) made a statement in the course of which she introduced and orally revised draft resolution A/54/L.70 and introduced draft resolution A/54/L.52.

The representative of the Russian Federation made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/54/L.66.

The representative of Ukraine made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/54/L.67.

The representative of Canada made a statement in the course of which he introduced and orally corrected draft resolution A/54/L.68.

The representative of Grenada made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/54/L.69.

The Assembly was informed that action on draft resolution A/54/L.70 would be taken at a later date to allow time for the review of the programme budget implications of the draft resolution.

Under sub-item (b) of agenda item 20 the Assembly adopted draft resolutions A/54/L.29/Rev.1, A/54/L.66, A/54/L.67, A/54/L.68 as orally corrected, and A/54/L.69 (resolutions 54/96 E, F, G, H, I).

Under sub-item (e) of agenda item 20, the Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.52 (resolution 54/116).

Statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of the United States, Indonesia, the Syrian Arab Republic and Israel.

Statements were made by the representatives of Japan and the Russian Federation.

The observer of Palestine made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

The representative of Israel made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-items (a) and (e) of agenda item 20.

The Assembly was informed that action on other draft resolutions submitted or to be submitted under agenda item 20 and its sub-item (b) would be taken up at a later date.

Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe [30]

(a) Draft resolution (A/54/L.64)

(b) Amendment (A/54/L.65)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of item 30.

The representative of Norway made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/54/L.64.

The representative of Azerbaijan made a statement in the course of which he introduced the amendment to draft resolution A/54/L.64 contained in document A/54/L.65.

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of Armenia, Finland (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Latvia, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia) and the United States.

By 55 votes to 1, with 54 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the amendment contained in document A/54/L.65.

By 124 votes to 0, with 2 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.64 as amended (resolution 54/117).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 30.

The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development [47]

(a) Draft resolution (A/54/L.24/Rev.1)

(b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/662)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 47.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.24/Rev.1 (resolution 54/118).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 47.

General and complete disarmament [76]

(a) Draft resolution "Q" (report of the First Committee (A/54/563, para. 64))

(b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/663)

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of agenda item 76.

By 96 votes to 1, with 11 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the eighth preambular paragraph of draft resolution Q.

By 119 votes to 0, with 2 abstentions (recorded vote), the Assembly adopted draft resolution Q as a whole (resolution 54/54 V).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 76.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of all the reports of the First Committee.

The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina [42]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/549)

(b) Draft resolution (A/54/L.63/Rev.1)

The General Assembly was informed that draft resolution A/54/L.62 was postponed to a future date.

The representative of Jordan made a statement in the course of which he introduced and orally corrected draft resolution A/54/L.63/Rev.1.

Statements were made by the representatives of Croatia, Finland (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia), Saudi Arabia, the United States, Hungary, the Islamic Republic of Iran, the Russian Federation, Malaysia, Liechtenstein and Pakistan.

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE — 50th meeting

Macroeconomic policy questions [97]

(c) Trade and development

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.36/Rev.1

The Committee resumed its consideration of the item.

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Giovanni Brauzzi (Italy), informed the Committee of the results of the informal consultations held on A/C.2/54/L.36 and corrected the text of draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.36/Rev.1.

A statement was made by the representative of Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.36/Rev.1, as orally corrected.

A statement was made by the representative of the United States.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee adopted a draft decision taking note of documents A/54/15 (Parts I-IV).

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 97 (c).

(b) Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries

The Committee was informed that the delegations of Bahrain, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Mauritius, Myanmar and Trinidad and Tobago would have voted in favour of draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.72, had they been present during the vote.

Sustainable development and international economic cooperation [99]

(h) Implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development

The Committee resumed consideration of the item and the Chairman informed the Committee that no draft proposals had been submitted under this sub-item.

On the proposal of the Chairman the Committee adopted a draft decision taking note of document A/54/442.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 99 (h) and agenda item 99 as a whole.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 47th meeting

Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 48/218 B [163]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement and orally corrected the text of the draft resolution.

The representative of Egypt, Vice-Chairman of the Committee, and coordinator of informal consultations on this agenda item, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.17.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution as orally corrected.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item.

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [151]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Placement of new Member States for peacekeeping assessments

The representative of Pakistan, Vice-Chairman of the Committee, and coordinator of informal consultations on this agenda item, introduced draft decisions A/C.5/54/L.20, A/C.5/54/L.21 and A/C.5/54/L.22.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft decisions.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item at this stage.

Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo [166]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The representative of Egypt, Vice-Chairman of the Committee, and coordinator of informal consultations on this agenda item, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.18.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

Statements in explanation of position were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union) and the Philippines.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item at this stage.

Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone [150]

Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone [172]

The Committee began its consideration of these agenda items.

The Controller introduced the reports of the Secretary-General contained in documents A/54/455 (under agenda item 150) and A/54/633 (under agenda item 172).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related reports of that Committee (A/54/490 and A/54/670) respectively.

Statements were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union), China, Norway, Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada) and Ghana.

The Director of the Peacekeeping Financing Division and the Chief of the Finance Management and Support Service of Peacekeeping Operations replied to questions raised.

The representative of Poland, on behalf of his government, aligned himself with the statement made by Finland who spoke on behalf of the European Union.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of these agenda items.

The Chairman then informed the Committee that informal consultations on this agenda item would begin on Thursday, 16 December, in the morning, under the chairmanship of Mr. [illegible] yun Park (Republic of Korea).

Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor [173]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The Controller introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/54/236/Add.1).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/54/653).

Statements were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union), Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada), the Philippines (on behalf of the ASEAN countries) and the United States.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item.

The Chairman then informed the Committee that informal consultations on this agenda item, would begin on Thursday, 16 December, in the afternoon, under the chairmanship of Mr. Ahmed H. Darwish (Egypt), Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [151]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

(a) Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

Support account

The Controller introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/54/648).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/54/661).

Statements were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union), Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada), the United States, Bolivia, Pakistan, Egypt and Argentina.

The Controller replied to questions raised.

The representative of Poland, on behalf of his government, aligned himself with the statement made by Finland who spoke on behalf of the European Union.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item.

The Chairman then informed the Committee that informal consultations on this agenda item, would begin on Thursday, 16 December, in the afternoon following informal consultations of agenda item 172, under the chairmanship of Ms. Dulce María Buergo Rodríguez (Cuba), Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

Programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [119]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Second performance report

The Controller introduced the report of the Secretary-General (A/54/631 and Corr.1).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/54/7/Add.7).

Statements were made by the representatives of Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the United States, Mexico, Cuba, Canada, Pakistan, the Russian Federation and Bolivia.

The Director of the Budget Division and the Controller replied to questions raised.

The Chairman made a statement.

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 [121]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/54/L.58

The Director of the budget Division introduced the statement submitted by the Secretary-General on the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/54/L.58 contained in document in A/C.5/54/41.

The related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions was contained in document A/54/667.

On the proposal of the Chairman, the Committee decided, without a vote, to recommend to the General Assembly that, should it adopt draft resolution A/54/L.58, the requirements of $3,407,600 would be charged against the provision of $90,387,200 for special political missions requested in section 3, Political affairs, of the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 in accordance with General Assembly resolution 53/206.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this question.

Estimates in respect of matters of which the Security Council is seized

The Director of the Budget Division introduced the report of the Secretary-General on the estimates of matters of which the Security Council is seized (A/C.5/54/39).

The related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions was contained in document A/54/7/Add.10.

The Chairman proposed an oral decision, which the Committee adopted, without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this question.

Revised estimates: effect of changes in rates of exchange and inflation

The Director of the Budget Division introduced the report of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates of the effect of changes in rates of exchange and inflation (A/54/623 and Corr.1 and Add.1 and Add.1/Corr.1).

The related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions was contained in document A/54/7/Add.9.

Statements were made by the representatives of Cuba and Pakistan.

The Director of the Budget Division replied to a question raised.

The Chairman proposed an oral decision, which the Committee adopted, without a vote.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this question.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. London, 29 June 1990

Ratification: Nicaragua (13 December 1999)*

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer. Copenhagen, 25 November 1992

Ratification: Nicaragua (13 December 1999)*

* Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Videoconference

The Department of Public Information (DPI) will conduct a live videoconference on the preparations for the Millennium Assembly and the Millennium Summit of the United Nations, and for the Millennium Forum, *today*, 16 December 1999, from 10.30 a.m. to 11.30 a.m. in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

Representatives of non-governmental organizations assembled at United Nations Headquarters, at United Nations Offices at Geneva and Vienna, and at the Resource Center for the United Nations (a non-governmental organization in San Francisco), will engage in an exchange of information with the New York panellists. Speakers will include Mr. Miles Stoby, Assistant-Secretary-General, Coordinator for Preparations for the Millennium Assembly, Executive Office of the Secretary-General; H.E. Mr. Dumisani Shadrack Kumalo, Permanent Representative of the Republic of South Africa to the United Nations; Mr. Techeste Ahderom, Co-Chair for the Millennium Forum; and Ms. Estelle Perry, Treasurer of the Millennium Forum. Ms. Thérèse Gastaut, Director of the Public Affairs Division, Department of Public Information, will moderate the videoconference.

For further information, please contact Ms. Helene Hoedl of the NGO Section (DPI) in New York (tel.: (212) 963-7709); Ms. Elena Ponomareva at the United Nations Office at Geneva (tel.: (41-22) 917 2325); and Ms. Renate Henke at the United Nations Office at Vienna (tel.: (43-1) 26060-3324). The following Web site addresses can also be visited: www.un.org/millennium *or* www.millenniumforum.org

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Staff Council

There will be a meeting of the Staff Council *today*, 16 December 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 4. The meeting is open to staff members only.

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SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 17 December 1999

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10.45 a.m. 4084th meeting Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED
PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION 751 (1992)
CONCERNING SOMALIA

3.30 p.m. 15th meeting (closed) Conference Room 7

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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10 a.m. 83rd PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

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(continued overleaf)

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6. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions: report of the Third Committee (A/54/600) [111]

7. Promotion and protection of the rights of children: report of the Third Committee (A/54/601) [112]

8. Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People: report of the Third Committee (A/54/602) [113]

9. Elimination of racism and racial discrimination: report of the Third Committee (A/54/603) [114]

10. Right of peoples to self-determination [115]

    (a) Report of the Third Committee (A/54/604)

    (b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/672)

11. Human rights questions: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605) [116]

    (a) Implementation of human rights instruments: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.1 and Corr.1)

    (b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.2)

    (c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.3)

    (d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.4)

    (e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.5)

12. Report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Third Committee (A/54/606) [12]

3 p.m. 84th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan; the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security [20 (f) and 50]

   (a) Draft resolution (A/54/L.58)

   (b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/671)

2. Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin: draft resolution (A/54/L.47/Rev.1) [24]

3. Assistance in mine action: draft resolution (A/54/L.71) [35]

4. Question of the Comorian island of Mayotte [62]

5. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, incuding special economic assistance: draft resolution (A/54/L.70) [20]

   (a) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions: draft resolution (A/54/L.72/Rev.1) [20 (b)]

6. The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti [48]

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/625)

   (b) Letter from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the General Assembly (A/54/629)

   (c) Draft resolution (A/54/L.36)

   (d) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/665)

7. Question of East Timor [96]

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/654)

   (b) Draft resolution (A/54/L.73)

8. Observer status for the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources in the General Assembly: draft resolution (A/54/L.7/Rev.2) [162]

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. — 48th meeting — Conference Room 3

1. Programme planning [120]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.23

2. Human resources management [164]

   Action on draft decision A/C.5/54/L.24

3. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [142]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.25

4. Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 [143]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.26

5. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [151] (A/C.5/54/L.16 and A/C.5/54/L.27)

6. United Nations common system [126]

   Action on draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.14

7. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 [121]

   Revised estimates under sections 3, Political affairs; 5, Peacekeeping operations and special missions (A/C.5/54/40 and A/54/7/Add.11)

   Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.73 (A/C.5/54/43 and A/C.5/54/44)

Morning*- 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 151 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: (a) Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: Support Account (A/54/648 and A/54/661)), 150 (Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone (A/53/454/Add.1, A/54/455 and A/54/490)) and 172 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone (A/52/ 252/Add.2, A/C.5/54/1/Add.2, A/54/633 and A/54/647))

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
6.30 p.m.- 9.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
9.30 p.m.- 12.30 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 121 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 (A/54/6/Rev.1, Vol. I, II and III, A/54/7, A/54/16, A/C.5/54/18, A/C.5/54/19, A/53/833, A/C.5/54/20, A/C.5/54/16, A/54/643, A/C.5/54/15, A/C.5/54/27, A/C.5/54/17, A/C.5/54/21, A/53/955, A/C.5/54/25, A/53/794, A/C.5/54/14, A/C.5/51/57, A/52/7/Add.2, A/54/431, A/C.5/54/29, A/C.5/54/33, A/54/7/Add.5, A/C.5/54/37, A/54/7/Add.8, A/54/6/Rev.1/Add.1, A/54/7/Add.6, A/53/641, A/C.5/54/26, A/54/520 and A/54/657))

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* Following the adjournment of the 48th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

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PREPARATORY COMMISSION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

Third session

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	12th meeting	Conference Room 4

WORKING GROUP ON RULES OF PROCEDURE AND EVIDENCE RELATED TO PARTS 2, 6 AND 8 OF THE STATUTE

11.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.		Conference Room 4

ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. United Nations Observer Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (MONUC)
2. Closing of the session

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The Disarmament Commission will hold open-ended informal consultations on its substantive agenda items and other organizational matters *today*, 17 December 1999, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

An informal briefing on the preparations for the fourth session of the Intergovernmental Forum on Forests of the Commission on Sustainable Development will be given by H.E. Mr. Bagher Asadi (Islamic Republic of Iran), Co-chairman of the Intergovernmental Forum on Forests. The briefing will be held *today*, 17 December 1999, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 7. All interested delegations are invited to attend.

Announcements

An informal note containing the present status of discussions on the draft political declaration of the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: Gender Equality, Development and Peace for the Twenty-first Century", as well as on the proposed structure for the outcome document, will be available *today*, 17 December 1999, at noon in the Division for the Advancement of Women (room DC2-1216), as well as on the Web site of the Division (www.un.org.womenwatch.daw).

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Friday, 17 December 1999

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

1.45 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

ARAB GROUP OF THE PREPARATORY COMMISSION FOR THE INTERNATIONAL CRIMINAL COURT

2 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 9

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Forum

There will be a meeting of the Women's International Forum *today*, 17 December 1999, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 2. The Forum will be addressed by Mr. Mark Malloch-Brown, Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme, on "A Vision for UNDP". Participants should be seated by 10.45 a.m. Delegates and Secretariat staff are invited to attend.

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An informal meeting of troop contributors to the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP) will be held *today*, 17 December 1999, from 3.30 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 8.

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Announcement

As from Wednesday, 1 December 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

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FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Saturday, 18 December 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

11 a.m.- 2 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
6.30 p.m.- 9.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
9.30 p.m.- 12.30 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Monday, 20 December 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m.	85th PLENARY MEETING	Conference Room 2
3 p.m.	86th PLENARY MEETING	Conference Room 2

Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters [38]

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

The forthcoming programme of the Fifth Committee for Monday, 20 December 1999, will be announced in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1999/243).

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will hold its resumed 1999 session from 17 to 28 January 2000 in Conference Room 4. The agenda is contained in document E/C.2/1999/1.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETING OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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There will be a meeting of the Arab Group of the Whole *(at the ambassadorial level)* on Monday, 20 December 1999, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 8.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Thursday, 16 December 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

4083rd meeting

The situation concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

The agenda was adopted without objection.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Bernard Miyet, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by the Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, the Netherlands, the Gambia, Argentina, Malaysia, Canada, France, Bahrain, China, Namibia, Brazil, by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the United Kingdom, and by the representative of Gabon.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon the resumption of the meeting, statements were made by the representatives of Slovenia and the Russian Federation.

The representatives of the United States, the Netherlands and France made further statements.

The President made a concluding statement.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

81st plenary meeting

The situation in Bosnia and Herzegovina [42]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/549)

(b) Draft resolution (A/54/L.63/Rev.1)

Statements were made by the representatives of Slovenia, Egypt, Ukraine and Norway.

The representative of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya made a statement on a point of order.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.63/Rev.1, as orally corrected (resolution 54/119).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 42.

Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters [38]

The President made a statement in the course of which he informed the General Assembly that he had requested the candidatures of H.E. Mr. John de Saram, Permanent Representative of Sri Lanka to the United Nations and H.E. Mr. Hans Dahlgren, Permanent Representative of Sweden to the United Nations to continue as Vice-Presidents and that they had kindly accepted. He further informed the Assembly that a meeting of the Open-ended Working Group on the Question of Equitable Representation on and Increase in the Membership of the Security Council and Other Matters related to the Security Council was envisaged in the early part of the year 2000.

Statements were made by the representatives of Lithuania, Ireland, South Africa, Belgium, Singapore, New Zealand, Algeria, Japan, the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya, India, Argentina, the United Republic of Tanzania and Italy.

82nd plenary meeting

Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters [38]

Statements were made by the representatives of Kyrgyzstan, Spain, Mexico, Namibia, Ukraine, Australia, Senegal, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Egypt, Indonesia, Cuba, Germany, the United Kingdom, Côte d'Ivoire, Venezuela, Peru, Croatia, China, the Czech Republic, Brazil, Portugal, the Islamic Republic of Iran, France, Myanmar, Canada and Costa Rica.

Postponement of the date of recess

The General Assembly decided to further postpone the date of recess from Friday, 17 December 1999, to Wednesday, 22 December 1999.

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE — 51st meeting

Macroeconomic policy questions [97]

(a) High-level international intergovernmental consideration of financing for development

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/54/L.25 and L.75

The Committee resumed consideration of the item and had before it draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.75 which had been submitted by the Chairman of the Committee, H.E. Mr. Roble Olhaye (Djibouti).

The representative of Mexico corrected the text of the draft resolution.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.75, as orally corrected.

A statement was made by the representative of Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.25 was withdrawn.

The Secretary of the Committee read out programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.75.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 97 (a) and of agenda item 97 as a whole.

The role of the United Nations in promoting development in the context of globalization and interdependence [104]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/54/L.19 and L.76 (and amendments thereto in A/C.2/54/L.77 and L.78

The Committee resumed consideration of the item.

A statement was made by the representative of Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

The meeting was suspended.

Upon the resumption of the meeting, a statement was made by the representative of Finland (on behalf of the European Union).

The representative of Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), made a statement in which he revised the text of draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.76.

Statements were made my the representatives of Australia, Cameroon and Suriname.

The Chairman made a statement.

The Committee then adopted draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.76.

Draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.19 was withdrawn.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 104.

Draft biennial programme of work for the Second Committee for 2000 and 2001

Document A/C.2/54/L.65

The Chief of the Documentation Programming and Monitoring Unit introduced and orally revised document A/C.2/54/L.65.

The Committee then adopted the draft biennial programme of work for the Second Committee for 2000-2001, as orally revised.

Closure of the work of the Second Committee

The Chairman made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Nigeria, Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Finland (on behalf of the European Union as well as the Central and Eastern European countries associated with them), the United States, the Russian Federation, Morocco and Mexico.

The Chairman then declared the work of the Second Committee closed.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

51st meeting

The Council adopted the agenda for the meeting, as indicated in the *Journal*.

Report of the Joint Inspection Unit on the Administrative Committee on Coordination [1]

The Assistant-Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Inter-Agency Affairs made a statement.

Document E/1999/L.61

The Council adopted the draft resolution.

International cooperation in tax matters [2]

On the proposal of the President, the Council adopted an oral decision to further postpone consideration of this item (13 (j) of the agenda of the substantive session), to the Council's substantive session of 2000.

Programme of work for the Committee for Development Policy [3]

Document E/1999/L.62

The representative of New Zealand corrected the text of the draft resolution.

Statements were made by the observers for Bangladesh and Fiji.

The Council then adopted the draft resolution, as orally corrected.

Advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the difference relating to immunity from legal process of a Special Rapporteur of the Commission on Human Rights [4]

The Council had before it documents E/1999/121 and E/1999/124.

The Under-Secretary-General, the Legal Counsel, briefed the Council on this matter.

Statements were made by the representative of Canada, and by the observers for Finland (on behalf of the European Union) and Malaysia.

The Under-Secretary-General responded to questions raised.

Elections [5]

Executive Board of the World Food Programme

Pursuant to General Assembly resolution 53/223, which provided for a new distribution of seats on the Board, the Council elected the following States by acclamation for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2000: France, the Islamic Republic of Iran, Japan, Mexico and Swaziland.

The Council was informed that Denmark would be unable to fulfil its term of office on the Board as of 1 January 2000. As a result, the Council elected Norway to replace Denmark from 1 January 2000 to 31 December 2001.

Intergovernmental Working Group of Experts on International Standards of Accounting and Reporting

The Council elected France and Malta by acclamation for a three-year term beginning on 1 January 2000.

The Council thus completed all elections to its subsidiary bodies.

Other business

The President drew a lot to determine the seating arrangements of the Members of the Council for the year 2000. China was selected to occupy the first seat.

The President made a statement.

The Council thus completed its work for 1999.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Protocol to the 1979 Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution concerning the Control of Emissions of Volatile Organic Compounds or their Transboundary Fluxes. Geneva, 18 November 1991

Accession: Slovakia (15 December 1999)*

Convention on the Prohibition of the Development, Production, Stockpiling and Use of Chemical Weapons and on their Destruction. Paris, 13 January 1993

Ratification: San Marino (10 December 1999)*

Protocol to the 1979 Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution on Heavy Metals. Aarhus, 24 June 1998

Ratification: Norway (16 December 1999)*

Protocol to the 1979 Convention on Long-Range Transboundary Air Pollution on Persistent Organic Pollutants. Aarhus, 24 June 1998

Ratification: Norway (16 December 1999)*

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SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Saturday, 18 December 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

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2 p.m.- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

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Sunday, 19 December 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 121 (Proposed pro-gramme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 (A/54/6/Rev.1, Vol. I, II and III, A/54/7, A/54/16, A/C.5/54/18, A/C.5/54/19, A/53/ 833, A/C.5/54/20, A/C.5/54/16, A/54/643, A/C.5/54/15, A/C.5/ 54/27, A/C.5/54/17, A/C.5/54/21, A/53/955, A/C.5/54/25, A/53/ 794, A/C.5/54/14, A/C.5/51/57, A/52/7/Add.2, A/54/431, A/C.5/ 54/29, A/C.5/54/33, A/54/7/Add.5, A/C.5/54/37, A/54/7/Add.8, A/54/6/Rev.1/Add.1, A/54/7/Add.6, A/53/641, A/C.5/54/26, A/ 54/520 and A/54/657))

Conclusion of informal consultations

Monday, 20 December 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION 751 (1992) CONCERNING SOMALIA

3.30 p.m.	15th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 7

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

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3 p.m.	86th PLENARY MEETING	Conference Room 2

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Monday, 20 December 1999

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

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Closed consultations among members of the Security Council and troop contributors to the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone (UNAMSIL) will be held on Monday, 20 December 1999, at 11 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

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AFRICAN GROUP: AD HOC COMMITTEE ON THE UNITED NATIONS REFORM

10.30 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room A

Announcement

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ARAB GROUP OF THE WHOLE
(at the ambassadorial level)

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

Announcement

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FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will hold its resumed 1999 session from 17 to 28 January 2000 in Conference Room 4. The agenda is contained in document E/ C.2/1999/1.

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Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Pre-session informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold pre-session informal consultations on all matters before the first regular session 2000 at Headquarters on Monday, 17 January 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

First regular session 2000

The first regular session 2000 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from 24 to 28 January 2000 in Conference Room 2, and on 31 January 2000, in the afternoon, in Conference Room 1. The provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and work plan are contained in document DP/2000/L.1. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Delegations, as well as observers, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board ((212) 906-5634) as soon as possible, but not later than Monday, 17 January 2000.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Friday, 17 December 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

4084th meeting

The situation between Iraq and Kuwait

The agenda was adopted without objection.

The President, with the consent of the Council, invited the representative of Kuwait, at his request, to participate in the discussion of the item without the right to vote, in accordance with the relevant provisions of the Charter and rule 37 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure.

The President drew attention to the text of a draft resolution contained in document S/1999/1232, which had been submitted by the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a statement by the representative of Kuwait.

The Council then proceeded to the vote on the draft resolution (S/1999/1232) before it.

Before the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the Russian Federation, Malaysia, Gabon, Argentina, China, Brazil, the Gambia and France.

Decision: The draft resolution (S/1999/1232) received 11 votes in favour, none against and 4 abstentions (China, France, Malaysia and the Russian Federation), and was adopted as resolution 1284 (1999).

Following the vote, statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Bahrain, Slovenia, Canada, Namibia and the Netherlands.

The representative of Brazil made a further statement.

The President made a statement, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the United Kingdom.

The representative of Malaysia made a further statement.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

83rd and 84th plenary meetings

Note: The summary of the 83rd and 84th plenary meetings of the General Assembly will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 1999/244).

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE 48th meeting

Programme planning [120]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The representative of Pakistan, Vice-Chairman of the Committee and coordinator of informal consultations on this item, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.23.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The representative of Finland (on behalf of the European Union) made a statement in explanation of position.

The Committee thus concluded this stage of its consideration of this agenda item.

Human resources management [164]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The representative of Pakistan, Vice-Chairman of the Committee and coordinator of informal consultations on this item, introduced draft decision A/C.5/54/L.24.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft decision.

The representative of the Philippines made a statement in explanation of position.

The Committee thus concluded this stage of its consideration of this agenda item.

Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [142]

Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 [143]

The Committee resumed its consideration of these agenda items.

The representative of Pakistan, Vice-Chairman of the Committee and coordinator of informal consultations on these items, introduced draft resolutions A/C.5/54/L.25 (under item 142) and A/C.5/54/L.26 (under item 143).

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolutions.

The Committee thus concluded this stage of its consideration of these agenda items.

United Nations common system [126]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The representative of Côte d' Ivoire, coordinator of informal consultations on this item, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.14.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded this stage of its consideration of this agenda item.

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [151]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The representative of Cuba, Vice-Chairman of the Committee and coordinator of informal consultations on this question, made a statement and introduced draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.27.

In light of the statement made by the representative of Cuba, the representatives of Ukraine and Belarus, withdrew draft decision A/C.5/54/L.16.

The Committee then adopted, without a vote, draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.27.

Statements in explanation of position were made by the representatives of Ukraine and Belarus.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item at this stage.

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 [121]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Revised estimates under sections 3, Political affairs; 5, Peacekeeping operations and special missions

The Chairman of the Committee drew attention to the report of the Secretary-General on the revised estimates under sections 3, Political affaires, and 5, Peacekeeping operations A/C.5/54/40).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/54/7/Add.11).

Statements were made by the representatives of Israel, Egypt and the Observer for Palestine.

The Director of the Budget Division replied to questions raised.

Statements were then made by the representatives of Egypt and the Observer for Palestine.

The Chairman made a statement.

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.73

The Chairman drew the attention of the Committee to the statement submitted by the Secretary-General on the programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.73 contained in document A/C.5/54/43 and to a letter dated 16 December 1999, from the Chairman of the Committee on Conferences to the Chairman of the Fifth Committee (A/C.5/54/44).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions orally introduced the related report of that Committee, which would be subsequently issued as an official document of the United Nations.

The representative of Guyana (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China) made a statement.

The Chairman also made a statement.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

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PREPARATORY COMMISSION
FOR THE INTERNATIONAL
CRIMINAL COURT
Third session 12th meeting

The representatives of the Netherlands, Argentina, South Africa, Norway, Lesotho and the United Republic of Tanzania reported on the progress achieved by their respective Working Groups.

The Rapporteur of the Preparatory Commission introduced the summary of the proceedings of the Commission.

The representatives of Spain, Liechtenstein, Italy, Ghana and Oman spoke.

The Chairman made a statement and declared closed the third session of the Preparatory Commission.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

International Convention for the Suppression of the Financing of Terrorism. New York, 9 December 1999

OPENING FOR SIGNATURE

The Convention will be opened for signature by all States at the United Nations Headquarters in New York from 10 January 2000 to 31 December 2001, in accordance with its article 25 (1).

Delegations are advised to contact the Treaty Section in advance to arrange appointments for signature (room S-3200; tel.: (212) 963-5047; fax: (212) 963-3693).

It is also advised that delegations intending to sign the Convention submit, where necessary, full powers in advance to the Treaty Section.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chairmen of regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of December 1999 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Cameroun
H.E. Mr. Martin Belinga-Eboutou

Asian States:
Bangladesh
H.E. Mr. Anwarul Karim Chowdhury

Eastern European States:
Czech Republic
H.E. Mr. Vladimir Galuška

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Saint Lucia
H.E. Mr. Julian Robert Hunte

Western European and other States:
Luxembourg
H.E. Mr. Hubert Wurth

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Committees

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SECURITY COUNCIL

10.30 a.m.	consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultation Room

Eritrea/Ethiopia

Briefing by the Secretariat

Other matters

SECURITY COUNCIL COMMITTEE ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO RESOLUTION 1160 (1998)

3 p.m.	11th meeting* (closed)	Conference Room 7

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* The Chairman will give an oral briefing to interested Members of the United Nations in the same room, immediately following the meeting. Following the oral briefing to Members, the Chairman will give a briefing to the press.

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 39

There will be a meeting of co-sponsors of amendments (A/54/L.46) to draft resolution A/54/L.23 (Code of Democratic Conduct), under item 39 (Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies) *today*, 21 December 1999, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room A.

Announcements

An informal note containing the present status of discussions on the draft political declaration of the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: Gender Equality, Development and Peace for the Twenty-first Century", as well as on the proposed structure for the outcome document, is available in the Division for the Advancement of Women (room DC2-1216), as well as on the Web site of the Division (www.un.org.womenwatch.daw).

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Reporting material for the thirty-eighth session of the Commission for Social Development (8-17 February 2000), including, *inter alia*, the provisional agenda and programme of work, and for the implementation of the outcome of the World Summit for Social Development, is available in the Division for Social Policy and Development, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (room DC2-1370), as well as on the Web site of the Division (www.un.org/esa/socdev/geneva2000/).

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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AFRICAN GROUP OF THE WHOLE

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

ARAB GROUP OF THE WHOLE

11 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE FIFTH COMMITTEE

1.15 p.m.-2.45 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

LATIN AMERICAN AND CARIBBEAN GROUP

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

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Announcement

As from Wednesday, 1 December 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 22 December 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 87th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Macroeconomic policy questions: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585) [97]

   (a) High-level international intergovernmental consideration of financing for development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.1)*

   (b) Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.2)

   (c) Trade and development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.3)*

   (d) Science and technology for development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.4)

   (e) External debt crisis and development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.5)

2. Sectoral policy questions: report of the Second Committee (A/54/586) [98]

3. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587) [99]

   (a) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.1)

   (b) Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II): report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.2)

   (c) Women in development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.3)

   (d) Human resources development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.4)

   (e) International migration and development, including the question of the convening of a United Nations conference on international migration and development to address migration issues: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.5)

   (f) Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.6)

   (g) Renewal of the dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.7)

   (h) Implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.8)

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* To be issued.

4. Environment and sustainable development : report of the Second Committee (A/54/588 and Add.7) [100]

   (a) Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.1)

   (b) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.2)

   (c) Convention on Biological Diversity: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.3)

   (d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.4)

   (e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.5)

   (f) Implementation of the outcome of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.6)

5. Operational activities for development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/589) [101]

6. Training and research: report of the Second Committee (A/54/590) [102]

7. Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources: report of the Second Committee (A/54/591) [103]

8. Globalization and interdependence: report of the Second Committee (A/54/592)* [104]

9. Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006): report of the Second Committee (A/54/593) [105]

10. Report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Second Committee (A/54/594)* [12]

11. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: draft resolution (A/54/L.74) [20]

    (a) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions: draft resolution (A/54/L.76) [20 (b)]

12. Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa: draft resolution (A/54/L.75) [46]

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will hold its resumed 1999 session from 17 to 28 January 2000 in Conference Room 4. The agenda is contained in document E/C.2/1999/1.

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Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Pre-session informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold pre-session informal consultations on all matters before the first regular session 2000 at Headquarters on Monday, 17 January 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

First regular session 2000

The first regular session 2000 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from 24 to 28 January 2000 in Conference Room 2, and on 31 January 2000, in the afternoon, in Conference Room 1. The provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and work plan are contained in document DP/2000/L.1. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Delegations, as well as observers, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board ((212) 906-5634) as soon as possible, but not later than Monday, 17 January 2000.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Friday, 17 December 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

83rd plenary meeting

Reports of the Third Committee

The Rapporteur of the Third Committee introduced the reports of the Third Committee on agenda items 106 to 116 and 12.

Social development, including questions relating to the world social situation and to youth, ageing, disabled persons and the family: report of the Third Committee (A/54/595) [106]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I to V recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 27 of its report (A/54/595) (resolutions 54/120, 54/121, 54/122, 54/123 and 54/124).

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 28 of its report (A/54/595).

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 106.

Crime prevention and criminal justice: report of the Third Committee (A/54/596) [107]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I to VII recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 31 of its report (A/54/596) (resolutions 54/125, 54/126, 54/127, 54/128, 54/129, 54/130 and 54/131).

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 32 of its report (A/54/596).

The representative of Uganda made a statement on a point of order.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 107.

International drug control: report of the Third Committee (A/54/597) [108]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/54/597) (resolution 54/132).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 108.

Advancement of women: report of the Third Committee (A/54/598 and Corr.1 and 2) [109]

The representative of the Philippines made a statement on a point of order in the course of which he orally corrected draft resolution VI contained in paragraph 34 of the report of the Third Committee (A/54/598).

The representative of Brazil made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I to V, VI as orally corrected, VII and VIII recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 34 of its report (A/54/598) (resolutions 54/133, 54/134, 54/135, 54/136, 54/137, 54/138, 54/139 and 54/140).

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote.

Statements on points of order were made by the representatives of Morocco, the Russian Federation, Ecuador, Argentina, Slovenia, China, El Salvador, Nigeria and Cuba.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 109.

Implementation of the outcome of the Fourth World Conference on Women (A/54/599 and Corr.1 (English only)) [110]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 11 of its report (A/54/599) (resolutions 54/141, 54/142).

The representative of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia) made a statement in explanation of vote.

The representative of Algeria made a statement on a point of order.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 110.

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees, questions relating to refugees, returnees and displaced persons and humanitarian questions: report of the Third Committee (A/54/600) [111]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I to V recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 19 of its report (A/54/600) (resolutions 54/143, 54/144, 54/145, 54/146 and 54/147).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 111.

Promotion and protection of the rights of children: report of the Third Committee(A/54/601) [112]

Statements on points of order were made by the representatives of Finland (on behalf of the European Union), Morocco, Suriname, El Salvador, Ghana, Solomon Islands, Fiji, Costa Rica, Gabon, Pakistan and Zambia.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 12 of its report (A/54/601) (resolutions 54/148 and 54/149).

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 13 of its report (A/54/601).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 112.

Programme of activities of the International Decade of the World's Indigenous People: report of the Third Committee (A/54/602) [113]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/54/602) (resolution 54/150).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 113.

Elimination of racism and racial discrimination: report of the Third Committee (A/54/603) [114]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 16 of its report (A/54/603) (resolutions 54/153 and 54/154).

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 17 of its report (A/54/603).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 114.

Rights of the peoples to self determination [115]

(a) Report of the Third Committee (A/54/604 and Corr.1 (French only))

(b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/672)

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on the three draft resolutions recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 17 of its report (A/54/604).

	Yes	*Against*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (resolution 54/155)		adopted	
Draft resolution II (recorded vote) (resolution 54/151)	110	16	35
Draft resolution III (recorded vote) (resolution 54/152)	156	2	1

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 115.

Human rights questions: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605) [116]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Third Committee (A/54/605).

(a) Implementation of human rights instruments: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.1 and Corr.1)

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I to III recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 16 of its report (A/54/605/Add.1) (resolutions 54/156, 54/157 and 54/158).

The representative of Mexico made a statement in the exercise of the right of reply.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (a) of item 116.

(b) Human rights questions, including alternative approaches for improving the effective enjoyment of human rights and fundamental freedoms: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.2)

The representative of Thailand made a statement in explanation of vote before the vote.

The representative of Japan made a statement on a point of order.

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on the twenty draft resolutions recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 75 of its report (A/54/605/Add.2).

	Yes	*Against*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (resolution 54/159)		adopted	
Draft resolution II (resolution 54/160)		adopted	
Draft resolution III (resolution 54/161)		adopted	

Draft resolution IV (resolution 54/162)		adopted	
Draft resolution V (resolution 54/163)		adopted	
Draft resolution VI Tenth preambular paragraph (recorded vote)	134	1	14
Draft resolution VI as a whole (resolution 54/166)		adopted	
Draft resolution VII (resolution 54/167)		adopted	
Draft resolution VIII (resolution 54/170)		adopted	
Draft resolution IX (recorded vote) (resolution 54/164)	106	0	58
Draft resolution X (recorded vote) (resolution 54/165)	99	2	64
Draft resolution XI (resolution 54/171)		adopted	
Draft resolution XII (resolution 54/174)		adopted	
Draft resolution XIII (recorded vote) (resolution 54/168)	91	59	10
Draft resolution XIV (recorded vote) (resolution 54/169)	95	1	66
Draft resolution XV (resolution 54/176)		adopted	
Draft resolution XVI (resolution 54/180)		adopted	
Draft resolution XVII (recorded vote) (resolution 54/172)	109	48	7
Draft resolution XVIII Operative paragraph 8 (recorded vote)	136	0	21
Draft resolution XVIII as a whole (recorded vote) (resolution 54/173)	153	0	11
Draft resolution XIX (resolution 54/181)		adopted	
Draft resolution XX Eighth preambular paragraph (recorded vote)	113	44	1
Draft resolution XX Thirteenth preambular paragraph (recorded vote)	111	44	1
Draft resolution XX Operative paragraph 3 (c) (recorded vote)	113	42	3
Draft resolution XX Operative paragraph 3 (e) (recorded vote)	121	39	0
Draft resolution XX Operative paragraph 13 (recorded vote)	114	43	1
Draft resolution XX Operative paragraph 21 (recorded vote)	112	43	2
Draft resolution XX Operative paragraph 22 (recorded vote)	115	42	0
Draft resolution XX as a whole (recorded vote) (resolution 54/175)	119	10	38

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by Chile and Finland (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Liechtenstein, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia).

Statements on points of order were made by the representatives of Qatar, the Russian Federation, Morocco, Togo and Fiji.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 116.

(c) Human rights situations and reports of special rapporteurs and representatives: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.3)

Statements in explanations of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of Thailand and the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

The General Assembly proceeded to take action on the ten draft resolutions recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 62 of its report (A/54/605/Add.3).

	Yes	*Against*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (resolution 54/185)		adopted	
Draft resolution II (recorded vote) (resolution 54/177)	61	47	51
Draft resolution III Operative paragraphs 2 (a), 3 (g), 3 (i) and 3 (j) (recorded vote)	94	0	56
Draft resolution III as a whole (recorded vote) (resolution 54/178)	100	3	53
Draft resolution IV (recorded vote) (resolution 54/179)	91	10	54
Draft resolution V (resolution 54/186)		adopted	
Draft resolution VI (resolution 54/187)		adopted	
Draft resolution VII (recorded vote) (resolution 54/182)	89	30	39
Draft resolution VIII (recorded vote) (resolution 54/183)	108	4	45
Draft resolution IX Section III (recorded vote)	120	3	31
Draft resolution IX Sections I and II (recorded vote)	119	0	34
Draft resolution IX as a whole (recorded vote) (resolution 54/184)	123	2	34
Draft resolution X (resolution 54/188)		adopted	

Statements in explanation of vote after the vote were made by China, the Syrian Arab Republic, Bolivia, Albania, India and Jordan.

Statements on points of order were made by the representative of Finland and the Russian Federation.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 116.

(d) Comprehensive implementation of and follow-up to the Vienna Declaration and Programme of Action: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.4)

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.4).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 116.

(e) Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights: report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.5)

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Third Committee (A/54/605/Add.5).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (e) of agenda item 116.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 116 as a whole.

Report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Third Committee (A/54/606) [12]

The General Assembly adopted draft decisions I and II recommended by the Third Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/54/606).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of all the chapters of the report of the Economic and Social Council allocated to the Third Committee.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of all the reports from the Third Committee before it.

84th plenary meeting

Emergency international assistance for peace, normalcy and reconstruction of war-stricken Afghanistan; the situation in Afghanistan and its implications for international peace and security [20 (f) and 50]

(a) Draft resolution (A/54/L.58)

(b) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/671)

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.58 (resolution 54/189).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (f) of agenda item 20.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 50.

Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin: draft resolution (A/54/L.47/Rev.1) [24]

The representative of Greece made a statement in the course of which he orally corrected draft resolution A/54/L.47/Rev.1.

The Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.47/Rev.1, as orally corrected (resolution 54/190).

The representative of Greece made a statement.

The representative of Algeria made a statement on a point of order.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 24.

Assistance in mine action: draft resolution (A/54/L.71) [35]

The representative of Finland made a statement in the course of which she introduced and orally corrected draft resolution A/54/L.71.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.71, as orally corrected (resolution 54/191).

The representative of Finland made a statement on a point of order.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 35.

Question of the Comorian Island of Mayotte [62]

The General Assembly decided to defer consideration of the item and to include it in the provisional agenda of its fifty-fifth session.

The Assembly thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 62.

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: draft resolution A/54/L.70 [20]

(b) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions: draft resolution (A/54/L.72/Rev.1)

The representative of Cameroon made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/54/L.72/Rev.1.

The representative of the Secretariat made a statement.

The Assembly adopted draft resolutions A/54/L.70 and A/54/L.72/Rev.1 (resolutions 54/192 and 54/96 J).

Statements in explanation of vote were made by the representatives of the United States and Canada.

The representative of the Sudan made a statement on a point of order.

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 20.

The situation of democracy and human rights in Haiti [48]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/625)

(b) Letter from the Secretary-General addressed to the President of the General Assembly (A/54/629)

(c) Draft resolution A/54/L.36

(d) Report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/665)

The representative of Saint Lucia made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/54/L.36.

Statements were made by the representatives of Haiti, Norway, Canada, Nicaragua, Finland (on behalf of the European and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Iceland, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia), Argentina, France and Venezuela.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.36 (resolution 54/193).

The Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 48.

Question of East Timor [96]

(a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/54/654)

(b) Draft resolution (A/54/L.73)

The representative of Indonesia made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/54/L.73.

The representative of Portugal made a statement in the course of which he also introduced draft resolution A/54/L.73.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.73 (resolution 54/194).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 96.

Observer status for the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources in the General Assembly: draft resolution (A/54/L.7/Rev.2) [162]

The representative of Ecuador made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/54/L.7/Rev.2.

The representative of Finland (on behalf of the European Union and of Bulgaria, Cyprus, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Malta, Norway, Poland, Romania, Slovakia and Slovenia) made a statement.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.7/Rev.2 (resolution 54/195).

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote.

In accordance with resolution 54/195, the observer for the International Union for the Conservation of Nature and Natural Resources made a statement.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 162.

Monday, 20 December 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

85th plenary meeting

Floods in Venezuela

The President of the General Assembly, on behalf of the Assembly, extended his deepest sympathy to the Government and people of Venezuela for the tragic loss of life and extensive material damage caused by the recent floods that affected the country.

The representative of Venezuela made a statement.

Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters [38]

Statements were made by the representatives of Slovakia, the United Arab Emirates, Viet Nam, the Syrian Arab Republic, Bhutan, Qatar, Pakistan, the Republic of Korea, the Philippines, the United States, the Lao People's Democratic Republic, Belarus, Colombia, the Russian Federation, Bulgaria, Kenya, Iraq, Nepal and Malaysia.

86th plenary meeting

Question of equitable representation on and increase in the membership of the Security Council and related matters [38]

Statements were made by the representatives of Chile, Botswana, Austria, Poland, Hungary, Cambodia, Guatemala, Ghana, Guyana (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Georgia, Uruguay, El Salvador, Mongolia, Cameroon, Samoa, Uzbekistan, the Sudan, Cyprus, Zimbabwe, Paraguay, Turkey, Mauritius, Cape Verde, Israel, Papua New Guinea and Lesotho.

The General Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of item 38.

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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Wednesday, 22 December 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

10 a.m. — consultations of the whole (closed) — Consultation Room

Democratic Republic of the Congo

Other matters

11 a.m. — 4085th meeting* — Security Council Chamber

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in East Timor

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* A briefing will be given by the Secretariat.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. — 87th PLENARY MEETING — General Assembly Hall

1. Macroeconomic policy questions: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585) [97]

   (a) High-level international intergovernmental consideration of financing for development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.1)

   (b) Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.2)

(continued overleaf)

(c) Trade and development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.3)

(d) Science and technology for development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.4)

(e) External debt crisis and development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.5)

2. Sectoral policy questions: report of the Second Committee (A/54/586) [98]

3. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587) [99]

(a) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.1)

(b) Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II): report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.2)

(c) Women in development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.3)

(d) Human resources development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.4)

(e) International migration and development, including the question of the convening of a United Nations conference on international migration and development to address migration issues: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.5)

(f) Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.6)

(g) Renewal of the dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.7)

(h) Implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.8)

4. Environment and sustainable development : report of the Second Committee (A/54/588 and Add.7) [100]

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.1)

(b) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.2)

(c) Convention on Biological Diversity: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.3)

(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.4)

(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.5)

(f) Implementation of the outcome of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.6)

5. Operational activities for development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/589) [101]

6. Training and research: report of the Second Committee (A/54/590) [102]

7. Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources: report of the Second Committee (A/54/591) [103]

8. Globalization and interdependence: report of the Second Committee (A/54/592) [104]

9. Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006): report of the Second Committee (A/54/593) [105]

10. Report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Second Committee (A/54/594) [12]

11. Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: draft resolution (A/54/L.74) [20]

(a) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions: draft resolution (A/54/L.76) [20 (b)]

12. Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa: draft resolution (A/54/L.75) [46]

13. Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies [39]

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

6 p.m. 50th meeting Conference Room 3

1. Programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [119]

Second performance report

*Action on draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.39**

2. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 [121]

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/54/L.73 (A/C.5/54/43, A/C.5/54/44 and A/54/675)

Revised estimates arising out of resolutions and decisions adopted by the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1999 (A/54/443 and Add.1 and A/54/7/Add.2)

Revised estimates under sections 3, Political affairs; 5 Peacekeeping operations and special missions (A/C.5/54/40 and A/54/7/Add.11)

Report of the Secretary-General on the utilization of the provision for special political missions under section 3, Political affairs (A/C.5/54/45)

Report of the Secretary-General on the contingency fund: consolidated statement of programme budget implications and revised estimates (A/C.5/54/46)*

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 [121]

(a) Questions relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001

*Action on draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.35**

(b) Draft report of the Fifth Committee

Introduction and action on recommendations contained therein (A/C.5/54/L.36 (Parts I and II))*

3. Pattern of conferences [124]

*Action on draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.19**

4. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations [118]

(a) Action taken on certain items

Action on draft decision A/C.5/54/L.37

(b) Biennial programme of work of the Fifth Committee for 2000-2001

Action on draft decision A/C.5/54/L.38

5. Closure of the work of the Fifth Committee during the main part of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly

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Announcement

As from Wednesday, 1 December 1999, and for the rest of the month, the Presidency of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council daily, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations, in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Thursday, 23 December 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

10 a.m. 88th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/506/Add.1) [117]

2. Programme planning: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/676) [120]

3. Joint Inspection Unit: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/507/Add.1) [123]

4. United Nations common system: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/677) [126]

5. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/678) [142]

6. Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/679) [143]

7. Review of the implementation of General Assembly resolution 48/218 B: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/673) [163]

8. Human resources management: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/680) [164]

9. Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/674) [166]

10. Report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/668) [12]

11. Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/685) [125]

12. Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone; Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/686) [150 and 172]

13. Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/ 54/684) [151]

14. Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/687) [173]

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will hold its resumed 1999 session from 17 to 28 January 2000 in Conference Room 4. The agenda is contained in document E/C.2/1999/1.

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Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Pre-session informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold pre-session informal consultations on all matters before the first regular session for 2000 at Headquarters on Monday, 17 January 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

First regular session for 2000

The first regular session for 2000 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from 24 to 28 January 2000 in Conference Room 2, and on 31 January 2000, in the afternoon, in Conference Room 1. The provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and work plan are contained in document DP/2000/L.1. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Delegations, as well as observers, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board ((212) 906-5634) as soon as possible, but not later than Monday, 17 January 2000.

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United Nations Children's Fund

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its first regular session (31 January to 4 February 2000) will take place on Monday, 17 January 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work is contained in document E/ICEF/2000/2. All delegations are invited to attend.

First regular session for 2000

The first regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 31 January to 4 February 2000 in Conference Room 1. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2000/2. Delegations are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of UNICEF ((212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 24 January 2000.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Tuesday, 21 December 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE — 49th meeting

Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Sierra Leone [150]

Financing of the United Nations Mission in Sierra Leone [172]

The Committee resumed its consideration of these agenda items.

The representative of the Republic of Korea, coordinator of informal consultations on these agenda items, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.33.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded this stage of its consideration of these agenda items.

Scale of assessments for the apportionment of the expenses of the United Nations [125]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The representative of Ireland, coordinator of informal consultations on this item, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.28 (which he orally corrected) and draft decisions A/C.5/54/L.29 and A/C.5/54/L.30.

The Committee then adopted, without a vote, draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.28, as orally corrected, and draft decisions A/C.5/54/L.29 and A/C.5/54/L.30.

The representative of India made a statement.

The Committee thus concluded this stage of its consideration of this agenda item.

Financing of the United Nations Transitional Administration in East Timor [173]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The representative of Egypt, Vice-Chairman of the Committee and coordinator of informal consultations on this item, introduced draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.34.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded this stage of its consideration of this agenda item.

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 [121]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Revised estimates under sections 3, Political affairs; 5, Peacekeeping operations and special missions

The representative of Israel made a statement.

Following an oral proposal by the Chairman, statements were then made by the representatives of Israel and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Chairman informed the Committee that further consultations on this question would be required.

Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations [151]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

(a) Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations

Support Account

The Committee had before it draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.32 submitted by the Vice-Chairman following informal consultations.

The Committee adopted, without a vote, the draft resolution.

The Committee thus concluded this stage of its consideration of this agenda item.

Organization of work

The Chairman made a statement.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

International Convention for the Suppression of Terrorist Bombings. New York, 15 December 1997

Signature: Hungary (21 December 1999)

Signature: South Africa (21 December 1999)

Rome Statute of the International Criminal Court. Rome, 17 July 1998

Ratification: Ghana (20 December 1999)*

Food Aid Convention, 1999. London, 13 April 1999

Acceptance: Japan (20 December 1999)*

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SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Thursday, 23 December 1999

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

6 p.m. 88th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s [99 (f)]

   (a) Report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.6)

   (b) Report of the Fifth Committee*

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15. Report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/668) [12]

16. Programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/508/Add.1)* [119]

17. Pattern of conferences: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/690)* [124]

18. Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/691)* [121]

19. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations: report of the Fifth Committee (A/54/511/Add.1)* [118]

20. Report of the Economic and Social Council (A/54/3 and Add.1) [12]

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Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE

12 noon-3 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 121 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 (A/54/6/Rev.1, Vol. I, II and III, A/54/7, A/54/16, A/C.5/54/18, A/C.5/54/19, A/53/833, A/C.5/54/20, A/C.5/54/16, A/54/643, A/C.5/54/15, A/C.5/54/27, A/C.5/54/17, A/C.5/54/21, A/53/955, A/C.5/54/25, A/53/794, A/C.5/54/14, A/C.5/51/57, A/52/7/Add.2, A/54/431, A/C.5/54/29, A/C.5/54/33, A/54/7/Add.5, A/C.5/54/37, A/54/7/Add.8, A/54/6/Rev.1/Add.1, A/54/7/Add.6, A/53/641, A/C.5/54/26, A/54/520 and A/54/657)), 119 (Programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999: Second performance report (A/54/631 and Corr.1 and A/54/7/Add.7)) and 124 (Pattern of conferences (A/54/32, A/54/176, A/54/208, A/54/221, A/54/262, A/53/833, A/54/7, A/53/919 and Corr.1, A/53/919/Add.1 and Corr.1, A/53/919/Add.2 and Corr.1, A/C.5/54/28, A/52/1000, A/52/7, A/51/946, A/52/685, A/53/16 and A/53/669))

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	50th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Programme budget for the biennium 1998-1999 [119]

   Second performance report

   *Action on draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.39**

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Report of the Secretary-General on the contingency fund: consolidated statement of programme budget implications and revised estimates (A/C.5/54/46)*

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001 [121]

(a) Questions relating to the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2000-2001

*Action on draft resolution A/C.5/54/L.35**

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4. Review of the efficiency of the administrative and financial functioning of the United Nations [118]

(a) Action taken on certain items

Action on draft decision A/C.5/54/L.37

(b) Biennial programme of work of the Fifth Committee for 2000-2001

Action on draft decision A/C.5/54/L.38

5. Closure of the work of the Fifth Committee during the main part of the fifty-fourth session of the General Assembly

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SECURITY COUNCIL

MILITARY STAFF COMMITTEE

11 p.m.-1 p.m.	1420th meeting (closed)	Conference Room 9

Announcements

The Bureau of the Commission on the Status of Women and the Bureau of the Commission acting as the Preparatory Committee for the Special Session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: Gender Equality, Development and Peace for the Twenty-first Century" invite delegations to propose names for panellists to participate in the forty-fourth session of the Commission and the third session of the Preparatory Committee. The topics of the panels will be: "Emerging issues, trends and new approaches to issues affecting women or equality between women and men" (Panel 1, on 1 March 2000); and "Outlook on gender equality, development and peace beyond the year 2000" (Panel 2, on 6 March 2000). When submitting the names, delegates are kindly requested to include the curricula vitae and to specify whether the expert is proposed for Panel 1 or Panel 2, and what specific topic or issue the expert would address. Names should be submitted to the Division for the Advancement of Women (room DC 2-1250) *no later than* Monday, 10 January 2000. A note providing further information on the Panel discussions is also available in the Division, as well as on the Web site of the Division: (www.un.org.womenwatch.daw).

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An informal note containing the present status of discussions on the draft political declaration of the special session of the General Assembly entitled "Women 2000: Gender Equality, Development and Peace for the Twenty-first Century", as well as on the proposed structure for the outcome document, is available in the Division for the Advancement of Women (in front of room DC2-1250), as well as on the Web site of the Division (www. un.org.womenwatch.daw).

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MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Thursday, 23 December 1999

AFRICAN GROUP OF THE THIRD COMMITTEE

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

GROUP OF 77
(on Fifth Committee matters)

10 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 5

ARAB GROUP

11 a.m.- 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 8

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Announcement

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations will hold its resumed 1999 session from 17 to 28 January 2000 in Con-ference Room 4. The agenda is contained in document E/C.2/ 1999/1.

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Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme and of the United Nations Population Fund

Pre-session informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will hold pre-session informal consultations on all matters before the first regular session for 2000 at Headquarters on Monday, 17 January 2000, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

First regular session for 2000

The first regular session for 2000 of the Executive Board of UNDP and of UNFPA will be held from 24 to 28 January 2000 in Conference Room 2, and on 31 January 2000, in the afternoon, in Conference Room 1. The provisional agenda, annotations, list of documents and work plan are contained in document DP/ 2000/L.1. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Delegations, as well as observers, are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of the Executive Board ((212) 906-5634) as soon as possible, but not later than Monday, 17 January 2000.

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United Nations Children's Fund

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Pre-session briefing

An informal pre-session information briefing on major issues before the UNICEF Executive Board at its first regular session (31 January to 4 February 2000) will take place on Monday, 17 January 2000, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. The provisional annotated agenda and organization of work is contained in document E/ICEF/2000/2. All delegations are invited to attend.

First regular session for 2000

The first regular session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from 31 January to 4 February 2000 in Confe-rence Room 1. The provisional annotated agenda and organiza-tion of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2000/2. Delega-tions are requested to fax their credentials to the secretariat of UNICEF ((212) 326-7096) as soon as possible, but no later than Monday, 24 January 2000.

In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedure and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to com-municate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Wednesday, 22 December 1999

SECURITY COUNCIL

4085th meeting

The situation in East Timor

The agenda was adopted without objection.

In accordance with the understanding reached in the Council's prior consultations, the President, with the consent of the Council, extended an invitation under rule 39 of the Council's provisional rules of procedure to Mr. Hédi Annabi, Assistant Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations.

The Council began its consideration of the item and heard a briefing by the Assistant Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations.

Statements were made by the representatives of Bahrain, the United States, Canada, Brazil, the Russian Federation, Slovenia, China, France, Argentina, Malaysia, the Gambia, Namibia, Gabon and the Netherlands, and by the President, speaking in his capacity as the representative of the United Kingdom.

Mr. Annabi responded to the comments and questions posed by members of the Council.

The President made a concluding statement.

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-fourth session

87th plenary meeting

Reports of the Second Committee

The Rapporteur of the Second Committee introduced the reports of the Committee on agenda items 97 to 105 and 12.

The representatives of Guyana, Suriname, Mexico and Morocco made statements on points of order.

Macroeconomic policy questions: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585) [97]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Second Committee on agenda item 97 (A/54/585).

(a) High-level international intergovernmental consideration of financing for development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.1)

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote.

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/54/585/Add.1) (resolution 54/196).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 97.

(b) Financing of development, including net transfer of resources between developing and developed countries: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.2)

By 155 votes to 1 (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 10 of its report (A/54/585/Add.2) (resolution 54/197).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 97.

(c) Trade and development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.3)

The Assembly then proceeded to take decisions on draft resolutions I, II and III recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 19 of its report (A/54/585/Add.3).

	Yes	*Against*	*Abstentions*
Draft resolution I (resolution 54/198)		adopted	
Draft resolution II (resolution 54/199)		adopted	
Draft resolution III (recorded vote) (resolution 54/200)	941	2	43

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 20 of the same report.

The representatives of the Lao People's Democratic Republic and the Russian Federation made statements in explanation of vote after the vote.

The representatives of Germany and Yemen made statements on points of order.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 97.

(d) Science and technology for development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.4)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/54/585/Add.4) (resolution 54/201).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 97.

(e) External debt crisis and development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/585/Add.5)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/54/585/Add.5) (resolution 54/202).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (e) of agenda item 97.

Sectoral policy questions: report of the Second Committee (A/54/586) [98]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I, II and III recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 17 of its report (A/54/586) (resolutions 54/203, 54/204 and 54/205).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 98.

ustainable development and international economic co-operation: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587) [99]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Second Committee on agenda item 99 (A/54/587).

(a) Implementation of the commitments and policies agreed upon in the Declaration on International Economic Cooperation, in particular the Revitalization of Economic Growth and Development of the Developing Countries, and implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.1)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/587/Add.1) (resolution 54/206).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 99.

(b) Implementation of the outcome of the United Nations Conference on Human Settlements (Habitat II): report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.2)

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I, II and III recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 13 of its report (A/54/587/Add.2) (resolutions 54/207, 54/208 and 54/209).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (b) of agenda item 99.

(c) Women in development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.3)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/54/587/Add.3) (resolution 54/210).

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 9 of the same report.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (c) of agenda item 99.

(d) Human resources development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.4)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/587/Add.4) (resolution 54/211).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (d) of agenda item 99.

(e) International migration and development, including the question of the convening of a United Nations conference on international migration and development to address migration issues: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.5)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/54/587/Add.5) (resolution 54/212).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-item (e) of agenda item 99.

(f) Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Least Developed Countries for the 1990s: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.6)

The General Assembly was informed that consideration of agenda item 99 (f) was postponed to allow time to the Fifth Committee to review the programme budget implications of the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/54/587/Add.6).

(g) Renewal of the dialogue on strengthening international economic cooperation for development through partnership: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.7)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/54/587/Add.7) (resolution 54/213).

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of the same report.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of subitem (g) of agenda item 99.

(h) Implementation of the Programme of Action of the International Conference on Population and Development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/587/Add.8)

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 3 of its report (A/54/587/Add.8).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of subitem (h) of agenda item 99.

Environment and sustainable development : report of the Second Committee (A/54/588 and Add.7) [100]

The General Assembly took note of the report of the Second Committee on agenda item 100 (A/54/588).

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I, II, III and IV recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 21 of its report (A/54/588/Add.7) (resolutions 54/214, 54/215, 54/216 and 54/217).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 100.

(a) Implementation of Agenda 21 and the Programme for the Further Implementation of Agenda 21: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add/1)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 9 of its report (A/54/588/Add.1) (resolution 54/218).

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 10 of the same report.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of subitem (a) of agenda item 100.

(b) International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction: report of the Second Committee(A/54/588/Add.2)

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 10 of its report (A/54/588/Add.2) (resolutions 54/219 and 54/220).

The representatives of Ecuador and Finland (on behalf of the European Union) made statements in explanation of vote.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of subitem (b) of agenda item 100.

(c) Convention on Biological Diversity: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.3)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 6 of its report (A/54/588/Add.3) (resolution 54/221).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of subitem (c) of agenda item 100.

(d) Protection of global climate for present and future generations of mankind: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.4)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 8 of its report (A/54/588/Add.4) (resolution 54/222).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of subitem (d) of agenda item 100.

(e) Implementation of the United Nations Convention to Combat Desertification in Those Countries Experiencing Serious Drought and/or Desertification, particularly in Africa: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.5)

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 7 of its report (A/54/588/Add.5) (resolution 54/223).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of subitem (e) of agenda item 100.

(f) Implementation of the outcome of the Global Conference on the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States: report of the Second Committee (A/54/588/Add.6)

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 10 of its report (A/54/588/Add.6) (resolutions 54/224 and 54/225).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of subitem (f) of agenda item 100.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 100 as a whole.

Operational activities for development: report of the Second Committee (A/54/589) [101]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 16 of its report (A/54/589) (resolutions 54/226 and 54/227).

The General Assembly adopted the draft decision recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 17 of the same report.

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 101.

Training and research: report of the Second Committee (A/54/590) [102]

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions I and II recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 14 of its report (A/54/590) (resolutions 54/228 and 54/229).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 102.

Permanent sovereignty of the Palestinian people in the occupied Palestinian territory, including Jerusalem, and of the Arab population in the occupied Syrian Golan over their natural resources: report of the Second Committee (A/54/591) [103]

By 132 votes to 3, with 5 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 11 of its report (A/54/591) (resolution 54/230).

The representative of Australia made a statement on a point of order.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 103.

Globalization and interdependence: report of the Second Committee (A/54/592) [104]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 16 of its report (A/54/592) (resolution 54/231).

The representative of the United States made a statement in explanation of vote.

The representative of Suriname made a statement on a point of order.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 104.

Implementation of the first United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty (1997-2006): report of the Second Committee (A/54/593) [105]

The General Assembly adopted the draft resolution recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 10 of its report (A/54/593) (resolution 54/232).

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 105.

Report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Second Committee (A/54/594) [12]

The General Assembly adopted draft decisions I, II, III and IV recommended by the Second Committee in paragraph 16 of its report (A/54/594).

The Assembly concluded its consideration of the chapters of the report of the Economic and Social Council allocated to the Second Committee.

Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance: draft resolution (A/54/L.74) [20]

(a) Special economic assistance to individual countries or regions: draft resolution (A/54/L.76) [20 (b)]

The representative of Guyana made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/54/L.74.

The representative of Venezuela made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/54/L.76.

Statements were made by representatives of Antigua and Barbuda (on behalf of the Caribbean Community), Uruguay and the Marshall Islands.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolutions A/54/L.74 and A/54/L.76 (resolutions 54/233 and 54/96 K).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 20.

Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa: draft resolution (A/54/L.75) [46]

The representative of Cameroon made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/54/L.75.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/54/L.75 (resolution 54/234).

The Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of agenda item 46.

Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies [39]

The President informed members that the co-sponsors of draft resolution A/54/L.23 and the co-sponsors of the amendments thereto, contained in document A/54/L.46, had withdrawn those proposals.

The Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of agenda item 39.

Postponement of the date of recess

The General Assembly decided to further postpone the date of recess from Wednesday, 22 December 1999, to Thursday, 23 December 1999.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Convention on psychotropic substances. Vienna, 21 February 1971

Accession: Mongolia (15 December 1999)*

Kyoto Protocol to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. Kyoto, 11 December 1997

Accession: Mongolia (15 December 1999)*

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